

NEWS RELEASE

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BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING SCHEDULES HEARING

The Utah Board of Oil, Gas and Mining will meet in regular session on Wednesday, December 5, 2007, in the auditorium of the Utah Department of Natural Resources, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah. Division Director John Baza will begin the meeting at 9:00 a.m. with an information briefing session to update members of the board on several issues and programs. The formal agenda will follow at 10:00 a.m.

AGENDA

1. Docket No. 2007-019, Cause No. 139-80 – In the Matter of the Request for Agency Action of Elizabeth B. Koch, Petitioner, to Compel Operator Quinex Energy Corporation, Respondent, to Pay Royalties Due on Production from four wells located in Sections 13, 14 and 23, Township 1 South, Range 1 West, and Section 7, Township 2 South, Range 2 West, Duchesne County, Utah.

*The division will report to the board the results of an investigation and negotiation in this matter.*

2. Docket No. 2007-021, Cause No. UIC-341 – In the Matter of the Request for Agency Action of Western Energy Operating, LLC for an Aquifer Exemption for the Park City and Weber Formations beneath the Ashley Valley (Park City-Weber) Unit Area and within a One-half Mile Radius of the Unit Area, in Sections 14, 15, and 22-27, Township 5 South, Range 22 East, S.L.M., Uintah County, Utah.

*The Board will consider a request to exempt an aquifer for injection purposes that meets the definition of an underground source of drinking water and is also currently an oil producing reservoir.*

3. Docket No. 2007-015, Cause No. C/007/0013-LCE07 – In the Matter of the Request for Agency Action of Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance, Petitioner; Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, Respondent; and UtahAmerican Energy, Inc., Respondent-Intervenor; Request for Board Review of the Division's May 18, 2007 Issuance of a Permit for Mining Operations on the Lila Canyon Extension, Horse Canyon Mine, Carbon and Emery Counties, Utah.

*Board will discuss scheduling of future hearings in this matter.*

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4. Docket No. 2007-011, Cause No. S/043/030, M/043/012 – Petition for Rehearing in the Matter of the Request for Agency Action of Wright-Garff Resources, Petitioner; Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, Respondent; and Star Stone Quarries, Inc., Respondent-Intervenor; Request for Board Review of the Division's October 30, 2006 denial of a Small Mining Permit of 5 acres within the 27-acre Brown's Quarry under permit and bond by Star Stone Quarries, Inc., M/043/012, Summit County, Utah.

*Board is being asked to review and grant a rehearing of a previous decision.*

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